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APPLICANT INITIATED INTERVIEW FORM

Sir:

Participants:

1. Examiner Bennett Celsa

2. Karen L. Wade, Applicants' Attorney

Date of Interview: March 5, 2004

Time: 2:00 PM EST

Type of Interview:

(1) ☒ Telephonic(2) ☐ Personal(3) ☐ Video ConferenceExhibit to be shown or demonstrated ☐ YES☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description:

ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc.)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
1) Rejs in sections 14 and 15	_____	US 09/429,798	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) 103 Rejs.	_____	_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3) Dbl pat. Rejs.	_____	_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Continuation Sheet Attached**Brief Description of Interview:**

Applicants' attorney conducted a phone interview with Examiner Bennett Celsa on March 5, 2004 to discuss the Final Office Action. Applicants' attorney began by pointing out that the reference (Ekwuribe et al. 09/429,798) cited in sections 14 and 15 of the rejection is a divisional application of the same parent application from which this divisional application was filed, so it is not available as a prior art reference to be used against this sibling application. Examiner Celsa said that upon verification of the relationship between the

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applications, he would withdraw those two rejections. The rejections in sections 14 and 15 were not discussed further.

The 103 and double-patenting rejections of sections 8-13 of the Final Office Action were discussed and the Examiner said that he would consider arguments submitted in a written response to the Office Action.

Karen L. Wade
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